

HIV/AIDS Profile: Liberia

Demographic Indicators

Population (1,000s)	3,164	Growth Rate (%)	1.9
Infant Mortality Rate (per 1,000)		Life Expectancy	
Both Sexes	135	Both Sexes	51
Male	142	Male	50
Female	127	Female	52
Crude Birth Rate (per 1,000)	47	Crude Death Rate (per 1,000)	17
Percent Urban	45	Total Fertility Rate	6.4
Note: Above indicators are for 2000.			

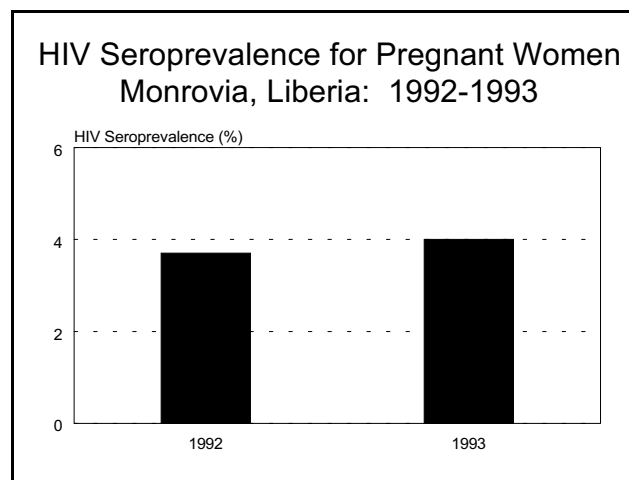
Estimated % of adults living with HIV/AIDS, end 1999	2.8 %		
Cumulative AIDS rate (per 1,000) as of 3/31/98	0.09		
Cumulative AIDS cases as of 3/31/98	232		
Sources: U.S. Census Bureau, Population Reference Bureau, UNAIDS, World Health Organization.			

Epidemiological Data

Epidemic State: Generalized

There is little to no recent information on HIV in Liberia due to the unstable political environment. Prevalence data from blood donors tested between 1992 and 1997 suggests that the epidemic was on the increase among this group.

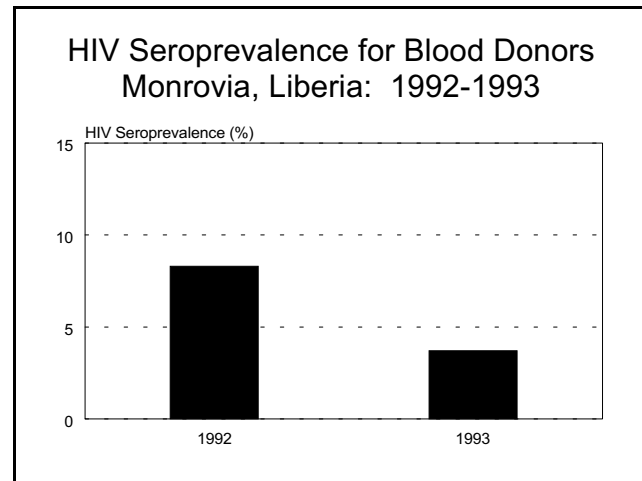
- Among pregnant women in Monrovia, the capital of Liberia, HIV seroprevalence remained stable during 1992 and 1993. In both years, 4 percent of pregnant women tested as part of sentinel surveillance were HIV positive.



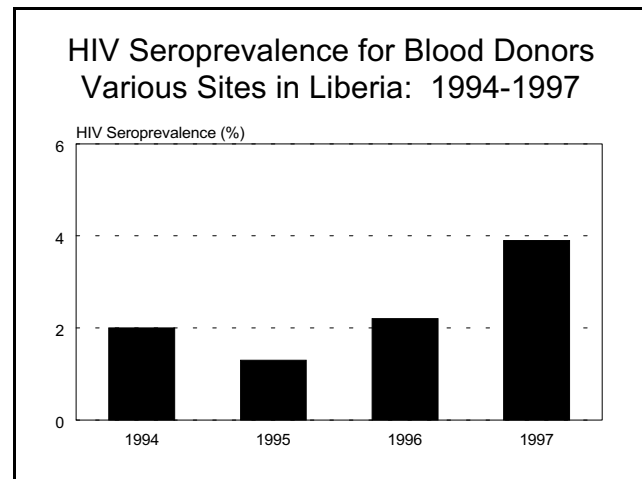
Source: International Programs Center, Population Division, U.S. Census Bureau, HIV/AIDS Surveillance Data Base, June 2000.

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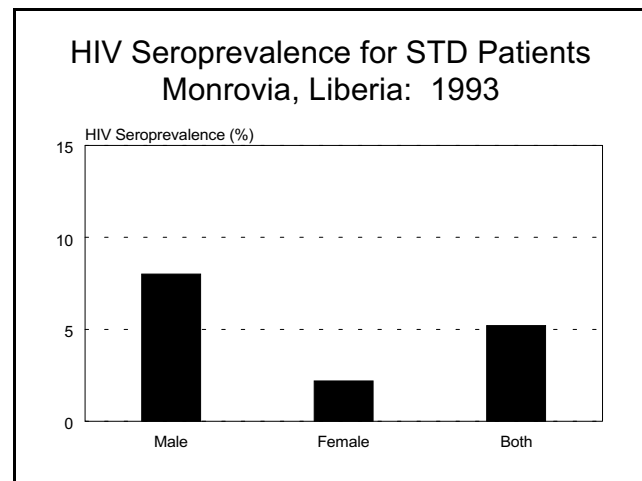
- At St. Joseph Catholic Hospital in Monrovia, 8 percent of blood donors tested were HIV positive in 1992. Between 1992 and 1993, a 50 percent decline in infections occurred; 4 percent of donors tested in 1993 were infected. These donors were tested as part of sentinel surveillance.



- At various sentinel surveillance sites in Liberia, blood donors were tested for HIV. HIV prevalence ranged from 1 percent in 1995 to 4 percent in 1997.

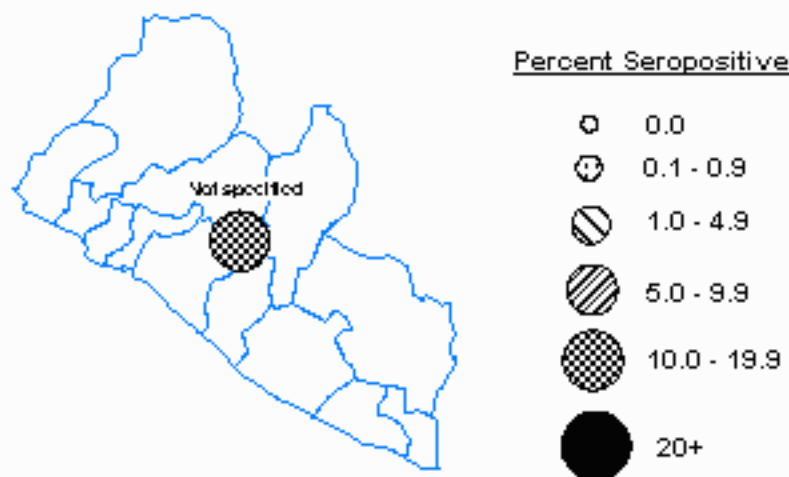


- HIV prevalence among STD patients tested in Monrovia in 1993 differed by sex. Two percent of female patients were infected while four times as many, 8 percent, of male patients were infected. Five percent of STD patients overall were HIV positive.



Seroprevalence of HIV-1 for Pregnant Women

Liberia: 1998



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